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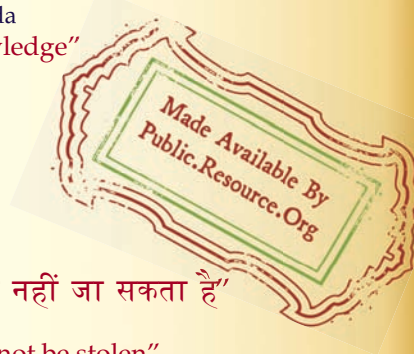
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## SPECIFICATION FOR MUSK XYLOL

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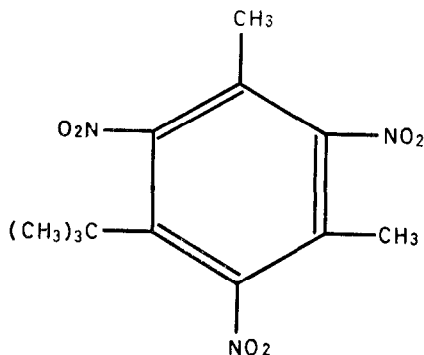
#### 0. FOREWORD

**0.1** This Indian Standard ( First Revision ) was adopted by the Indian Standards Institution on 25 August 1986, after the draft finalized by the Natural and Synthetic Perfumery Materials Sectional Committee had been approved by the Petroleum, Coal and Related Products Division Council.

**0.2** This Indian Standard was first published in 1965. It is being revised with a view to bring it in line with the trade practices in perfumery technology and also to align it with the quality level of material currently produced and sold in the country.

**0.3** Polynitro derivatives of certain aromatic hydrocarbons with a tertiary butyl grouping, also known as nitro musks, are characterized by an odour suggestive of musk, with varying degrees of intensity. The nitro musks represent a very important and widely used group of synthetic aromatics, though chemically they are unrelated to natural musk and musk-like other products.

**0.3.1** Though less expensive than the other nitro musks, musk xylol (  $C_{18}H_{15}N_3O_6$  ) is a highly purified product with excellent fixative and modifying properties. It has the following structural formula:



Musk Xylol

( 2, 4, 6-trinitro-1, 3 dimethyl-5-tertiary-butyl benzene, molecular mass 297.27 )

**0.4** Musk xylol has not been reported as occurring in nature. It is prepared by nitration of the corresponding benzene derivative and is purified by recrystallization, employing suitable solvents.

**0.5** A new requirement for musk xylol, percent by mass, *Min* along with the gas chromatographic method for determination of musk xylol has been included in this revision based on data generated through indigenous testing.

**0.6** In the preparation of this standard, considerable assistance has been derived from the following:

EOA No. 25 Standard for nitro musks (*revised*/1956) and First Supplement to the EOA Book of standards and specifications (1979), Essential Oil Association of USA, New York.

Technical information bulletin No. 164. A. Boake, Roberts & Co Ltd, London.

The Givaudan index 1961. Givaudan-Delawanna, Inc, New York.

**0.7** For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test or analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS : 2-1960\*. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

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## 1. SCOPE

**1.1** This standard prescribes the requirements and the methods of sampling and test for musk xylol largely used for perfuming chewing tobaccos, soaps and *AGGARBATIES*.

## 2. TERMINOLOGY

**2.1** For the purpose of this standard, definitions given in IS : 6597-1972† shall apply.

## 3. REQUIREMENTS

**3.1 Description** — The material shall be in the form of a free-flowing crystalline powder or needle-like crystals of very pale yellow colour.

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\*Rules for rounding off numerical values (*revised*).

†Glossary of terms relating to natural and synthetic perfumery materials.



**3.2 Solubility** — The material shall be soluble at  $25 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ , in the following solvents:

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|---|--------------|
| a) Benzyl benzoate, <i>Min</i>                        | 1.4 g/5 ml   |
| b) Diethyl phthalate, <i>Min</i>                      | 0.85 g/5 ml  |
| c) Ethyl alcohol ( 95 percent by volume ), <i>Min</i> | 0.7 g/100 ml |

**3.3** The material shall be tested olfactorily and especially for by-notes as prescribed under 4 and 5 of IS : 2284-1963\*.

**3.4** The material shall also comply with the requirements given in Table 1.

**TABLE 1 REQUIREMENTS FOR MUSK XYLOL**

Sl. No.	CHARACTERISTIC	REQUIREMENT	METHOD OF TEST, REF TO	
			Appendix	Cl No. in IS : 2284-1963*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
i)	Odour	Mild, suggestive of musk	—	4 and 5
ii)	Melting range, $^\circ\text{C}$	112.5 to 114.5	A	—
iii)	Alkali stability	To pass test	B	—
iv)	Musk xylol, percent by mass, <i>Min</i>	98	C	—

\*Method for olfactory assessment of natural and synthetic perfumery materials.

#### 4. PACKING AND MARKING

**4.1** The material shall be supplied in paper-lined tinplate containers, or in fibre-board and press-board containers or in wooden barrels.

**4.2** The particular source from which the material has been obtained shall be marked on each container.

**4.3** The material shall be protected from light and stored in a cool and dry place.

\*Method for olfactory assessment of natural and synthetic perfumery materials.

**4.4** The containers may also be marked with the ISI Certification Mark.

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**5. SAMPLING**

**5.1** Representative samples of the material shall be drawn as prescribed in IS : 326 ( Part 1 )-1984\*.

**6. TESTS**

**6.1** Tests shall be conducted as prescribed in col 4 and 5 of Table 1.

**6.2 Quality of Reagents** — Unless otherwise specified, pure chemicals and distilled water ( *see* IS : 1070-1977† ) shall be employed in tests.

NOTE — ' Pure chemicals ' shall mean chemicals that do not contain impurities which affect the results of analysis.

**A P P E N D I X   A**

[ *Table 1, Item (ii)* ]

**DETERMINATION OF MELTING RANGE**

**A-0. GENERAL**

**A-0.1 Outline of the Method** — The melting range of a material is the range between the corrected temperature at which the material begins to form droplets and the corrected temperature at which it completely melts, as shown by the formation of a meniscus.

**A-1. APPARATUS**

**A-1.1 Bath** — A glass container, such as a small beaker or a Thiele tube provided with means of stirring and of controlled heating, is filled to the proper level with light paraffin oil, liquid silicone, or other suitable fluid. The entire apparatus shall be well shielded from draught.

\*Methods of sampling and test for natural and synthetic perfumery materials: Part 1 Sampling ( *second revision* ).

†Specification for water for general laboratory use ( *second revision* ).

**A-1.2 Thermometer** — Accurately calibrated, having the range from  $-20$  to  $+150^{\circ}\text{C}$ , 76 mm immersion and reading to  $0.1^{\circ}$  accuracy. It shall further be of solid-stem mercury-in-glass type with cylindrical bulb.

**A-1.3 Capillary Tube** — of soft glass, 9 to 10 cm long, 1.5 to 2.0 mm external diameter, 0.2 to 0.3 mm wall thickness with one end closed.

## A-2. PROCEDURE

**A-2.1** Grind the sample to a fine powder. Dry the sample and the empty capillary tube by storing for 24 hours over sulphuric acid in a desiccator. Charge the capillary tube with sufficient powdered sample to form a closely packed column, about 2.5 mm high in the bottom of the tube, after the tube has been tapped against a solid surface.

**A-2.2** Immerse the thermometer to its standard depth in the bath, making sure that the lowest part of the bulb is at least 2 cm above the bottom. Heat the bath to about  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  below the expected melting range. Attach the capillary tube to the thermometer by any suitable means so that the sample is level with the bulb. Re-immerses the thermometer and continue heating with constant stirring at a rate of 3 deg per minute to a temperature  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  below the expected beginning of the melting range. Then carefully adjust the temperature rise to 1 to 2 deg per minute until the melting is complete.

**A-2.3** Note the temperature at which the sample collapses against the side of the tube ( beginning melting point ) and the temperature at which the sample is liquid throughout ( end melting point ). Both of these temperatures shall fall within the specified melting range.

NOTE — If a low melting point is obtained, the material may be in the labile form and this may be converted to the stable form by melting it and holding it at a temperature just above its initial melting point until resolidification occurs; seeding it, if necessary with a crystal of the higher melting stable material. If, on re-determination, a low melting point is still obtained, the product is contaminated or insufficiently purified.

## APPENDIX B

[ Table 1, Item (iii) ]

### ALKALI STABILITY TEST

#### B-0. GENERAL

**B-0.1 Outline of the Method** — Due to the presence of impurities, the material discolours when heated with alkali solution.

#### B-1. APPARATUS

**B-1.1 Conical Flask** — 100 ml capacity.

**B-1.2 Water-Bath**

#### B-2. REAGENTS

**B-2.1 Sodium Hydroxide Solution** — 1 N, approximately.

#### B-3. PROCEDURE

**B-3.1** Place 1 g of the sample with 25 ml of sodium hydroxide solution in a conical flask. Heat the mixture over a water-bath for 30 minutes and observe its colour.

**B-3.1.1** The material shall be taken to have passed the test if a dark brown colour is not produced. Yellow colour, if developed, shall be disregarded for the purpose of this test.

NOTE — Exposure to strong sunlight causes a discolouration of the artificial musks and this should not be confused with discolouration due to impurities.

## APPENDIX C

[ Table 1, Item (iv) ]

### GAS CHROMATOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS FOR DETERMINATION OF MUSK XYLOL

#### C-0. GENERAL

**C-0.1** The chromatographic conditions given here are for guidance only.

**C-0.2 Outline of the Method** — A sample of the material is dissolved in a suitable solvent ( for example, cyclohexane and diethyl ether ) and is injected into gas chromatograph where it is carried by the carrier gas from

one end of the column to the other. During its movement, constituents of the sample undergo distribution at different rates and ultimately get separated from one another. The separated constituents emerge from the end of the column one after another and are detected by suitable means whose response is related to the amount of a specific component leaving the column.

## C-1. APPARATUS

**C-1.1** Any gas chromatograph capable of being operated under conditions suitable for resolving the individual constituents into distinct peaks may be used. The typical chromatograph for musk xylol using a chromatograph with the following chromatographic conditions is shown in Fig. 1:

### a) *Sample* — Musk xylol

1) Material	Copper
2) Length	6 mm
3) Outer diameter	0.64 cm
4) Inner diameter	0.48 cm
5) Stationary phase	Carbowax 20 M, 10 percent by mass
6) Solid support	Chromasorb WAW 60-80 mesh

### b) *Carrier Gas* — Nitrogen

### c) *Conditions*

1) Column temperature iso-thermal	205°C
2) Injection port temperature	200°C
3) Carrier gas flow	50 ml/min
4) Inlet pressure	3.5 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>

### d) *Detector*

1) Type	Flame ionization detector
2) Temperature	280°C

### e) *Recorder*

1) Span	1 mV
2) Chart speed	0.25 cm/min

### f) *Attenuation* — 64

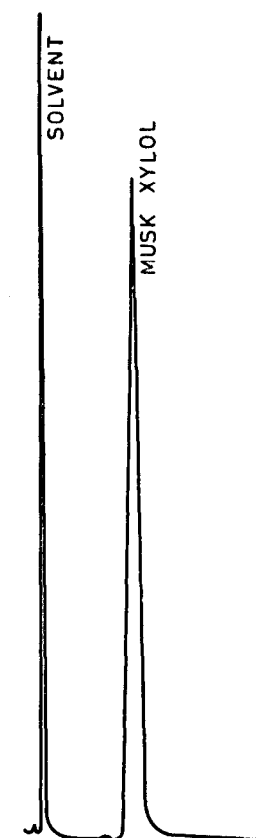


FIG. 1 TYPICAL CHROMATOGRAM OF MUSK XYLOL

## C-2. PROCEDURE

**C-2.1** Conduct the flow of the carrier gas and inject the sample ( dissolved in suitable solvent ) at inject port where it is vaporized and well mixed with the carrier. This is led into the chromatographic column wherein vaporized constituents of the sample are separated out by virtue of their differing interaction with the stationary phase. As the different constituent pass through the detector, they give signals corresponding to the amount of

particular constituent leaving the column. The detector signals, on transmission to the recorder, plots the chart. From the specific area under various peaks corresponding to specific constituents, the quantities of different constituents are determined.

NOTE — For the separation to be efficient, it is necessary that the column is maintained at the temperature suggested throughout the time required for the resolution of the constituents.

### C-3. CALCULATION

**C-3.1 Area Measurement** ( *see* Note 1 ) — Since normal peaks approximate a triangle, the area is measured by multiplying the peak height with the width of half-height. The normal peak base is not taken since large deviations may be observed due to tailing or adsorption. This technique is rapid, simple and fairly accurate when peaks are symmetrical and of reasonable width.

**C-3.2 Area Normalization** ( *see* Note 2 ) — By normalization, it is meant, calculating the percentage composition by measuring the area of each and dividing the individual areas by total area, for example,

$$\text{Percentage of } A = \frac{\text{Area of } A}{\text{Total area}} \times 100$$

NOTE 1 — Other methods of area measurement, namely, triangulation, disc integrator and electronic digital integrator, if fixed with GLC machine, would be of great advantage.

NOTE 2 — Internal standardization can be used if pure appropriate internal standard is available. This method is known as relative or indirect calibration.

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